



ALJ/ZZ1/fzs 8/29/2023

FILED

08/29/23

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

09:11 AM

I1702002

Order Instituting Investigation pursuant to Senate Bill 380 to determine the feasibility of minimizing or eliminating the use of the Aliso Canyon natural gas storage facility located in the County of Los Angeles while still maintaining energy and electric reliability for the region.

Investigation 17-02-002

ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE'S RULING ON MOVING EVIDENCE INTO THE RECORD AND THE SCHEDULE

On July 26, 2023, a status conference was held. The following parties were present: The Protect Our Communities Foundation, Issam Najm, Southern California Edison, Southern California Gas Company, Pacific Gas and Electric Company, San Diego Gas & Electric, Southwest Gas Corporation, Imperial Irrigation District, Indicated Shippers, Southern California Generation Coalition and Southern California Publicly Owned Utilities, the Commission's Public Advocates Office, the California Independent System Operator, Alliance for Retail Energy Markets, and California Community Choice Associate. At the status conference, the parties discussed potential disputes of material fact, plans for discovery, the need for an evidentiary hearing for cross-examination, the availability of witnesses if an evidentiary hearing is held, and a proposed schedule.

Based thereon, I find that an evidentiary hearing is unnecessary at this time. This ruling therefore sets forth the schedule for receiving testimony into

the record. After testimony is received into evidence, a briefing schedule will be issued.

The parties served proposed opening direct testimony, rebuttal testimony, and sur-rebuttal testimony on December 12, 2022, January 18, 2023, and February 8, 2023, respectively as follows:

- Alliance for Retail Energy Markets: Direct (ARM-01)
- California Community Choice Association: Direct (CalCCA-01)
- City of Long Beach: Direct (LB-01)
- Indicated Shippers: Direct (IS-01), Rebuttal (IS-02), Sur-Rebuttal (IS-03)
- Issam Najm: Direct (IN-01), Rebuttal (IN-02), Sur-Rebuttal (IN-03)
- Pacific Gas and Electric Company: Direct (PG&E-01), Rebuttal (PG&E-02), Sur-Rebuttal (PG&E-03)
- Protect Our Communities Foundation: Direct (PCF-01), Rebuttal (PCF-02), Sur-Rebuttal (PCF-03)
- Public Advocates Office of the Commission: Rebuttal (CA-01)
- San Diego Gas and Electric Company: Direct (SDG&E-01)
- Southern California Edison: Direct (SCE-01), Sur-Rebuttal (SCE-02)
- Southern California Gas Company: Direct (SCG-01), Rebuttal (SCG-02), Sur-Rebuttal (SCG-03)
- Southern California Generation Coalition: Direct (SCGC-01), Sur-Rebuttal (SCGC-02)
- Southwest Gas Corporation: Rebuttal (SGC-01)

Absent objections to the above-identified and served testimony, I intend to mark, identify, and admit them into the evidentiary record.

If a party wishes to object to whole or any portion of the testimony of another party being admitted, by September 21, 2023, the objecting party must file and serve a written objection. The objection must clearly identify the specific portion of the testimony by page number and line number, and describe in detail the ground(s) for objection. Responses, if any, to any objection are due September 28, 2023.

By October 10, 2023, the parties shall meet and confer and file a joint list of stipulated facts, if any, relevant to the issues scoped in this proceeding.

After the schedule outlined in this ruling, the following events will take place in 2023 and the first quarter of 2024:

- Testimony Entered into the Evidentiary Record
- Opening Briefs
- Reply Briefs
- Proposed Decision
- Opening Comments on the Proposed Decision
- Reply Comments on the Proposed Decision
- Commission Decision

IT IS SO RULED that:

1. Objections to any portion of the testimony or exhibits of another party are due no later than September 21, 2023
2. Responses to any objection are due no later than September 28, 2023.
3. A joint list of stipulated facts is due no later October 10, 2023.

Dated August 29, 2023, at San Francisco, California.

/s/ ZHEN ZHANG
Zhen Zhang
Administrative Law Judge